

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable medium having embodied thereon an image management program, the program being executable by a[[n]] portable electronic device coupled to an image capture device to perform method steps for capturing, controlling and managing an image, ~~the method steps~~ comprising:

receiving an image from [[an]] the image capture device coupled to the portable electronic device;

managing the display of the image on a display screen constituent to the portable electronic device; and

managing the display of a graphical user interface on the display screen, the user interface comprising at least one interactive icon, the interactive icon being capable of executing a routine within the program upon activation of said icon by a user.

2. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of Claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ controlling one or more operational modes of the image capture device.

3. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of Claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ transmitting said image from said portable electronic device to a remote device.

4. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of Claim 1, wherein said program is transferred from the image capture device to the portable electronic device for execution.
5. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of Claim 1, wherein said program is transferred from magnetic medium to the portable electronic device for execution.
6. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of Claim 1, wherein said program is transferred from an optical medium to the portable electronic device for execution.
7. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of Claim 1, wherein said portable electronic device is a ~~handheld~~ wireless device.
8. (Currently Amended) A system for capturing and managing images, comprising:
 - a[[n]] portable electronic device, further comprising:
 - a processor,
 - a display, for selectively displaying text, functional icons, and one or more live or stored images, and
 - a memory, for storing said images;
 - an image capture device removable attached to said portable electronic device; and

an image management engine loaded into said memory and executed by said processor, the image management engine capable of implementing a plurality of functions for capturing, managing and viewing said images, the plurality of functions selectable from said functional icons presented on said display.

9. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 8, wherein said portable electronic device further comprises a transmission source for transmitting image data from said portable electronic device to a remote device.

10. (Original) The system of Claim 9, wherein said transmission source is wireless.

11. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 10, wherein said wireless transmission source is infrared.

12. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 8, wherein said image capture device is a digital camera.

13. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 8, wherein said image management engine is loaded into said memory from magnetic medium.

14. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 8, wherein said image management engine is loaded into said memory from an optical medium.

15. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 8, wherein said image capture device comprises an internal memory.

16. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 15, wherein said image management engine is pre-loaded in said internal memory of said image capture device.

17. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 16, wherein said image management engine is automatically downloaded and stored in said memory of said portable electronic device upon attachment of said image capture device to said portable electronic device.

18. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 8, wherein said image management engine presents one or more graphical user interface icons on said display of said portable electronic device to facilitate capture or management of images.

19. (Currently Amended) A method for managing live images on a[[n]] portable electronic device, comprising ~~the steps of:~~

providing a display for viewing said images on said portable electronic device;

providing a camera for capturing said images; and

providing one or more image control functions that execute ~~by selecting same~~
an image management engine on said portable electronic device by selecting an icon presented on said display, and the icon representing said control function.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 19, further comprising the step of providing a memory to store said image after capturing.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 19, wherein said image is captured by said camera by programming an automatic timer.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 21, wherein said image is captured by programming said automatic timer to capture said image within a user-specified time.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 21, wherein an image is captured by programming said automatic timer to capture a user-specified number of images at a user-specified time interval.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 19, further comprising the step of providing a transmission source for transmitting selected image data to a remote device after capturing.